



Governor Douglas A. Ducey

Director Ted Vogt Racing Division Director Rudy Casillas

#### **AGENDA**

Pursuant to Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) § 38-431.03(A)(3), the Arizona Racing Commission (Commission) may vote to go into Executive Session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from its attorney on any matter listed on the agenda. Any such Executive Session will not be open to the public.

A. Call to Order of the 672<sup>nd</sup> Regular Arizona Racing Commission Meeting of August 8, 2019 at 10:00 AM.

## **Commissioners Present:**

Chair Rory Goreé (Telephone)
Vice Chair Thomas Lawless (Telephone)
Commissioner Charles "Chuck" Coolidge (Telephone)

#### Also present:

Rudy Casillas, Racing Division Director Kristian Fasching, Gaming General Counsel Kelly Wagner, Assistant Attorney General Greg Stiles, Racing Program Manager Cassie Goodwin, Commission Secretary

- **B.** New Business: Review, discussion and possible action on:
  - 1. Turf Paradise Requests Approval of the Following Off-Track Betting Facility:
    - a. Midtown Tavern, LLC located at 3620 N 1<sup>st</sup> Ave., Tucson, Arizona 85719

Greg Stiles addressed the Commission and informed them the background check is still pending at DPS.

Commissioner Lawless moved to approve Midtown Tavern LLC as a Turf Paradise Off-Track Betting facility with the stipulation of granting five-day period for the license to be resolved. Commissioner Coolidge second.

Director Casillas addressed the Commission, advising the background check is not guaranteed to be returned in five-days and the Commission may want to provide a stipulation of granting the approval be contingent with the background check coming in determining that the individual's backgrounds are suitable for licensing.

Commissioner Lawless agreed to amend his motion, to approve the Midtown Tavern LLC as an OTB site contingent on the background check coming back that the individuals are suitable for licensing. Commission Coolidge second the amendment. Motion carried. (Ayes: Coolidge, Goreé, Lawless.)

- **C. Information Reports:** Review, discussion and possible action on:
  - 1. Budget Report (Jason LaForest, Gaming CFO) Director Casillas advised Mr. LaForest is not present today and did not have a report. He will provide one at the September meeting.
  - 2. Post-Legislative Updates on HB2547 and SB1144 (Aiden Fleming) Aiden Fleming, Gaming Legislative Liaison, addressed the Commission. He will provide written summaries to the Commission after the meeting.

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- 3. Permittee Reports Not to exceed 3 minutes
  - a. American Racing No report.
  - b. Arizona Downs No report.
  - c. County Fairs No report.
  - d. Rillito Park No report.
  - e. Tucson Greyhound Park No report.
  - f. Turf Paradise No report.
- 4. Optional Industry Stakeholder Association Updates (limited to officers or officially designated spokesperson) **Not to exceed 3 minutes** 
  - a. Arizona Counties Racing Association No report.
  - b. Arizona Quarter Horse Racing Association No report.
  - c. Arizona Thoroughbred Breeders Association No report.
  - d. Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association No report.
  - e. Jockey's Guild No report.

# **D.** Commission Reports

- 1. Summary of current events affecting the Arizona Racing Commission. A.R.S. § 38-431.02(K) Only Commission Members or the Director may report. No discussion or action may be taken on matters reported unless properly noticed for legal action or discussion.
- 2. Identification of Matters to be placed on future agendas Chair Goreé asked that there be a report at the next meeting of Turf's progress on the items agreed to when its permit was approved.

#### E. Call to the Public

Those members of the public wishing to address the Commission must sign the signup sheet, identify themselves and be recognized by the Chair. Time permitting; each presentation will be given approximately two minutes. Action taken as a result of public comment will be limited to directing staff to study the matter or re-schedule the matter for further consideration at a later date.

### No one addressed the Commission.

F. Announcements: The next regularly scheduled Commission meeting will be at 10:00 AM on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at 1110 West Washington St., Building Conference Room 250, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Phoenix, AZ, 85007 and is subject to change based on a quorum.

## G. Adjournment

Commissioner Lawless moved to adjourn the meeting. Chair Goreé second. Motion Carried. (Ayes: Goreé, Coolidge, Lawless,) Meeting adjourned at 10:09 AM.